## Mullins, Donna

From:

Henson, Tucker

Sent:

Friday, May 29, 2015 12:56 PM

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Nethery, William R MVN

Cc:

Heffner, Robert A MVN; Mullins, Donna

Subject:

RE: Emailing: 2008-01954-SQ Swain.pdf (UNCLASSIFIED)

There is not an AO pending. We had originally sought an AO on Consent, but Swain refused. Since its been more than 5 years from the original violation, we decided not to issue a unilateral AO.

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From: Nethery, William R MVN [mailto:William.R.Nethery@usace.army.mil]

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2015 12:48 PM

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Hey Tucker, the JD map we provided to Donna is adequate to avoid wetlands. However, it has only been provided to Donna, and we don't have any JD requests from anyone for any portion of the property at this time. Mr. Swain only provided the erroneous report from Mr. Harris and never did request a determination. I'm curious to know if an AO is pending for the existing violations and if we are able to accept ATF applications from individual lot owners.

Thanks, Bill

William R. Nethery

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From: Henson, Tucker [mailto:Henson.Tucker@epa.gov]

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2015 11:43 AM

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Donna and Bill,

There isn't an AO or other agreement attached to the property that would inhibit transfer of ownership. Determining whether any potential "problems" with the property is the purchaser's obligation, and my advice is that EPA does not comment on this sort of private transaction.

My understanding is that this is NOT a complete JD (Bill--Is this correct?), and not an agency decision upon which a party could rely to avoid agency enforcement. While we used it in our case, the actual liability was established through Bill's affidavit stating that he observed a surface connection. If potential buyers are concerned, Mr. Swain could request an official JD from the Corps, right?

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----Original Message-----From: Mullins, Donna

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2015 10:42 AM

To: Henson, Tucker

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Tucker,

Is there any problem with Paco Swain selling this property? I think we could give the realtor a copy of the jurisdictional determination from our consultant.?

## Donna

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From: Heffner, Robert A MVN [mailto:Robert.A.Heffner@usace.army.mil]

Sent: Friday, May 29, 2015 10:36 AM

To: Mullins, Donna

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Donna,

How are you? It has been a long time. I hope this finds you well.

I received a call from a realtor representing a potential buyer of lot 28 in Equestrian Estates. She wanted to know if a jurisdictional determination had been completed. Paco Swain is still associated with the project and was somewhat evasive about answering the realtors questions regarding a JD. Can I provide her with a copy of the map included in the attachment. Are there any resolved issues that prevent Mr. Swain from selling this lot or others at this time?

Thank you for any assistance you can provide.

Rob

Rob Heffner

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